

EXECUTIVE ORDER MJF 96 - 6

Advisory Council on Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities

WHEREAS: the use of illicit drugs and firearms remains a serious and intractable problem in our society;
WHEREAS: the United States has the highest rate of teenage drug use of any industrialized nation; and
WHEREAS: the tragic consequences of drug use and alcohol abuse by students are felt not only by students and their families, but also by their communities and the nation; and

WHEREAS: the Congress finds that the National Education goal provides that by the year 2000 all schools in America will be free of drugs and violence and the unauthorized presence of firearms and alcohol, and offer a discipline environment that is conducive to learning; and

WHEREAS: the Congress of the United States has passed the Drug-free Schools and Communities has passed the Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act of 1986 which provides funds to the states to mobilize schools and local organizations in communities throughout the nation in a coordinated program of prevention to bring closer the goal of a drug-free generation and a drug-free society; and

WHEREAS: the coordinated effort can be significantly advanced in Louisiana through the continuation of an advisory council to the governor;

NOW THEREFORE I, MURPHY J. FOSTER, JR., Governor of the State of Louisiana, do hereby order and direct as follows:

SECTION 1: The Governor's Advisory Council on Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities is hereby continued with the Governor's Office.

SECTION 2: The council shall be composed of 13 members, each of whom shall be appointed by the governor to serve at his pleasure. The governor shall designate one member to serve as chairman of the council.

SECTION 3: The duties of the council shall include but not be limited to the following:

- A. Assist in setting priorities for the state's Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act program.
- B. Contribute to the design of Requests for Proposals.
- C. Review and make recommendations on proposals.
- D. Review monitoring reports on grantees.
- E. Recommend disposition of contracts in the case of non-complying agencies.

SECTION 4: The Governor's Office shall provide such resources, clerical support, and management assistance as may be required to enable the council to carry out its duties.

SECTION 5: No member of the council shall receive per diem or other compensation for the performance of his duties.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Louisiana, at the Capitol, in the City of Baton Rouge, on this 22nd day of March, 1996.

M.J. "Mike" Foster, Jr.
Governor

ATTEST BY
THE GOVERNOR
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Secretary of State
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